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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 01/21/2010.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-28.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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Examiner, Art Unit 3661

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Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 3661

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 01/21/2010 was filed after the mailing date of the notice of allowance on 12/30/2009. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.
2. The examiner has considered the references in the IDS, and still could not find any reasons to reject the allowed claims. Therefore, the claims filed on 08/01/2006 are still allowable over the references in the IDS filed on 01/21/2009.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1 and 2 are allowed based on the follow reasons:

The prior art fails to disclose or suggest alone or in combination as claimed if all or a part of the mobile robot is expressed in terms of a model constructed of a plurality of elements, the elements being at least either rigid bodies having inertia or mass points, the placement of elements of the model determined according to a predetermined first geometric restrictive condition, which specifies the relationship between an instantaneous motion of the mobile robot and the placement of the elements of the model, from an instantaneous desired motion generated by the instantaneous gait generating means is defined as a first placement, the placement of the elements of the model determined according to a predetermined second geometric restrictive condition, which specifies the relationship between an instantaneous motion of the mobile robot and the placement of the elements of the model, from the first provisional corrected

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instantaneous desired motion determined by the first provisional corrected motion determining means is defined as a second placement, and the placement of the elements of the model determined according to the second geometric restrictive condition from the second provisional corrected instantaneous desired motion determined by the second provisional corrected motion determining means is defined as a third placement, then the desired motion correcting means determines the sum of the result obtained by multiplying the posture of the predetermined part in the first provisional corrected instantaneous desired motion by a predetermined weight w_1 and the result obtained by multiplying the posture of the predetermined part in the second provisional corrected instantaneous desired motion by a predetermined weight w_2 as the instantaneous desired posture of the predetermined part in the corrected instantaneous desired motion, and also determines the sum of the result obtained by multiplying the position of the predetermined part in the first provisional corrected instantaneous desired motion by the predetermined weight w_1 and the result obtained by multiplying the position of the predetermined part in the second provisional corrected instantaneous desired motion by the predetermined weight w_2 as the instantaneous desired position of the predetermined part in the corrected instantaneous desired motion.

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CE LI whose telephone number is (571)270-5564. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday, 9AM-5PM, EST, every other Friday Off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Black can be reached on (571)272-6956. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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